According to the surveys of an agent of the British government, all that portion of Forty-Mile creek in Alaska where gold has been discovered belongs to the United States.

FIRE ENGINE No. 2, with two men, plunged into the river through the Mr. Peffer's funeral bill was referred to the drawbridge at the foot of Seneca street, Cleveland, O., on the morning of the 25th. The horses were drowned, but the men were rescued.

FAILURES for the United States for the week ended on the 24th, as reported by R. G. Dun & Co., were 373. against 363 for the corresponding week last year. For Canada the failures were 61, against 59 last year.

MISS AGNES BELLE SEELE, daughter of the mayer of Helena, Mont., has been selected to christen the new gunboat Helens, which will be launched at the works of the Newport News (Va.)

THE American Agriculturalist, which reported the value of farm animals throughout the country in 1893 at \$2, 483,083,000, now places their value, on shrinkage for the three years of \$622,-663,000, \$62,139,000 of which occurred

THE London Standard, on the 22d announced the death of Prince Henry of Battenburg, the husband of Princess Beatrice, who accompanied the expedition against the Ashantees. The prince succumbed to coast fever while on his return voyage from Cape Coast Castle to Sierre Leone.

Dr. K. N. FENWICK, professor of obstetrics and gynecology in the medical branch of Queen university at Kingston, Ont., and one of the leading physicians of Canada, died on the 22d. Blood poisoning, contracted by cutting his finger while performing an operation, was the cause of his death.

THE London papers, discussing what Great Britain will do in the event of the alleged entente between Russia and Turkey proving to be well founded, suggest the open annexation of Egypt, the seizure of an island near the Dardanelles, and the sending of a fleet to Constantinople to bottle up the Russian navy.

A DISPATCH from Washington, on the '21st, said: "Associate Justice Field has yielded to the long-standing desire of President Cleveland and agreed to retire. He will go upon the retired list at the close of this term of the supreme court, if he keeps the promise he made recently to the president and Senator White, of California."

AFTER the meeting of the Venezuela boundary commission, on the 24th, Justice Brewer told a reporter that excellent progress was being made, but that it would be extremely injudicious to attempt to make public bits of evidence in a haphazard way which might be exceedingly misleading and injurious to the work in hand.

A series of resolutions passed by the Massachusetts legislature asking congress to regulate the hours of labor throughout the United States, were ordered to lie on the table of the house committee on labor, on the 22d, and the legislature of Massachusetts was asked to submit a form of bill that will accomplish the desired object.

THE annual report of the Dominion postmaster-general, issued on the 23d, showed that the letters posted in Canada last year reached a total of 110,-500,000; postal cards, 24,600,000, and newspapers and book packages, 23,-.000,000. The total revenue of the department for the year was \$2,792,732 and the total expenditures \$3,593,647.

Ir was reported in Washington, on the 21st, that the president had intimated to Senor Dupuy de Lome, the Spanish minister, that unless Spain suppresses the rebellion in Cuba in a short time the independence of the island will be recognized by this government, to the end that protection may be afforded the lives and property of Amer-

A SELECT commission, consisting of Secretary Lamont, Gen. Miles and Gen. Dodge, of the Society of the Army of the Tennessee, agreed, on the 20th, upon a site in the city of Washington, for the location of the statue of Gen. Sherman. It is just south of the treasury building, and in direct line with Pennsylvania avenue, where the statue will be in full view from the

SECRETARY OF STATE OLNEY regards the mission of the American Red Cross in Armenia under the circumstances as a grave mistake, which is likely to embroil this country in further difficulty with the Turkish government. If Miss Barton is peacefully ejected, the state department will enter no protest; if she is maltreated our government will undoubtedly interfere. THE London Globe comments angrily

on the letter of the United States Venezuelan commission suggesting that Great Britain and Venezuela be invited to submit to the commission all of the evidence in their possession. and adds: "Will those pernicious commissioners undertake to answer for the effect upon their own countrymen of forcing the premier to snub the American secretary of state?"

THE Pall Mall Gazette vouches for the truth of the statement that an offensive and defensive alliance has been concluded between Russia and Turkey, the Unkiar-Skelessi agreement of 1833 forming the basis of the treaty. It is also thought that France is a party to the new alliance. The British foreign office officials, on the 23d, denied knowledge of any such alliance, and attached no importance to the statement.

MINISTER TERRELL telegraphed to the while the porte still refused to grant by declined to officially recognize that be a new feature in our war ships. society, it will permit any persons Turkey, provided the Turkish authorities are kept informed of what they

Fron County Register NEWS AND NOTES.

A Summary of Important Events.

LIV. CONGRESS.

(First Session.) In the senate, on the 20th. the report of the mmittee on foreign relations as to the extent and meaning of the Monroe doctrine and its applicability to the Venezuelan dispute was received and placed on the calendar without discussion. No progress was made with the house bond bill and free coinage substitute reported from the committee on finance. committee on rules. Several bills of minor importance were passed In the house several minor bills and resolutions, were agreed to. The president's message in response to house resolution of inquiry into the conduct of Ambassador Bayard was received and referred. The urgent deficiency bill was reported, and the military academy appropriation

bill was passed in committee of the whole. In the senate, on the 21st, most of the day's ession was spent in disposing of bills on the calendar that were unobjected to, 65 of which were passed. Two resolutions, having reference referred to the committee on foreign relations. In the house the urgent deficiency appro

riation bill, carrying \$1,420,403, was passed being the third appropriation bill already passed at this session. Among other measures passed was a bill affirming and legalizing Ship Building and Dry Dock Co. on the last legislature of New Mexico for public

In the senate, on the 22d, Senator Wolcot (CoL) held the rapt attention of senators or both sides of the chamber during a set speech in condemnation of the proposed extension o the Monroe doctrine and in criticism of the action of the executive on the Venezuela ques-January 1, 1896, at \$1,860,420,000, a tion. He spoke of the ingratitude of the Venezuelans, less than one per cent. of whom are white, in forgetting that it was to the aid extended by England that they owe their freeiom from the Spanish yoke, and hoped that the boundary line would be so fixed as to give the rich gold fields to the protection of the English common law.....In the house a number of unimportant bills and resolutions were passed, and the unanimous report of election committee No. 2 confirming the claim of H. C. Miner, the sitting member from the Ninth New York district, was agreed to without de-

In the senate, on the 23d, after the morning hour, Mr. Vilas (dem., Wis.) reported a bill from the judiciary committee to prevent the carrying of obscene literature, etc., from one state or territory to another. The resolution offered by Mr. Warren (rep, Wyo.) directing attention to the unprecedented shrinkage in the value of farm animals was made the text of a strong protective tariff speech by its au-thor. Mr. Dubois (rep., Idaho) spoke upon the bond bill, and Mr. Sewall (rep.) in advocacy of the maintenance of the Monroe doctrine.... In the house Mr. Henderson (rep., Ia.) reported from the committee on rules a modified form of the quorum-counting provision of the Fifty-first congress, which, after debate, was

In the senate, on the 24th, the concurren resolution previously reported from the committee on foreign relations on the subject of passed, after a highly interesting discussion in which the barbarity of the Turks and the inaction of the powers were roundly censured. Mr. Jones (dem., Ark.) gave notice that he would ask the senate, on the 30th, to remain in session until a vote was reached on the house bond bill with the free coinage substitute... In the house, in night session for the consid eration of private pension matters, 13 bills were passed, among them one granting \$75 per month to the widow of Brig.-Gen. Coggswell, pension of the widow of Col. William Dulaney.

PERSONAL AND GENERAL.

JUDGE E. L. BURTON, considered one of the ablest jurists in the northwest. died, on the 22d, at Ottumwa, Ia., aged

In the burning of the A. S. Aloe optical establishment in St. Louis, on the night of the 21st, four salvage corps men who were spreading tarpaulins in the burning building were carried down with the collapsed floor and three of them perished under tons of wreckage, the fourth being rescued alive after several hours' of horrible suspense but died shortly afterwards. Three firemen were shocked to insensibility by live electric wires, and one

was seriously injured by falling from a ladder. Loss, \$200,000; fully insured. Sailing orders of the steamships Friesland and LaTouraine, which were to have carried large pleasure parties from New York to the east, have been countermanded on account of the

troubles in the east. A VEIN of salt 300 feet thick and said to be the richest in the world, has been discovered under the town of Little River, Rice county, Kas. It is 500 feet down to the salt. Chicago capitalists

will develop it. A DISPATCH from Madrid, on the 21st said: "It is announced that Marquis Ahmuda will be the second in command under Gen. Weyler in Cuba, and not Gen. Suarez Valdez, as previously an-

WHILE August Voight, who lived at the edge of Michigan City, Ind., was sawing cord wood, on the 22d, the buzz saw struck a knot and burst, and half of it, striking him in the neck, al-120st severed the head from his body.

Death was instantaneous. THE Franklin county grand jury at Columbus, O., on the 22d, returned indictments against several members of the last legislature for bribery, and, it was reported, would find many more similar bills. The indicted belong to both political parties.

WM. E. BROCKWAY, the noted counterfeiter and forger, and Abbie L. Smith and Wm. E. Wagner, two of the gang connected with him, and all of whom were arrested with several others in West Hoboken last fall, were arraigned in the federal court at Trenton, N. J., on the 22d, and committed to jail in default of \$15,000 bail.

Ar the mouth of Fishing creek, which empties into the Ohio river at New Martinsville, W. Va., on the 22d, M. B. Potts and two assistants cast a seine, and upon withdrawing it found the most remarkable catch of fish on record. There were in the seine 3,790 fish, of which all but about 300 were large enough to be marketable.

MISS CLARA BARTON and her staff members of the National Red Cross society sailed, on the 22d, on the steamship New York. Those who accompanied Miss Barton were Dr. J. B. Hubbell, field agent; Miss Lucy Greaves, stenographer and typewriter; Ernest Mason, interpreter and linguist, and George H. Pullman, secretary to Miss Barton.

At the closing session of their convention in Chicago, on the 23d, the National Association of Manufacturers of the United States passed a resolution, among others; asking the establishment by the government of a department of manufactures under a secretary of equal rank with the secretary of agriculture.

COMMANDER CONVERSE of the torpedo state department, on the 24th, timt station at Newport, R. I., was called of Warsaw, near Kieff, was destroyed Cooper county. to Washington, on the 23d, to consider by fire, on the 26th, together with all permission to the Red Cross, or to the details of placing torpedo tubes on its valuable paintings and curios. members of the Red Cross, as such, to the new battleships of the Kearsarge distribute relief in Armenia, and there- type below the water line. This will John Tyler, died in Washington city.

Ex-Congressman Turner, who, dur- after an illness that had lasted for to distribute relief in the interior of years ago, earned the scubriquet of Hox. Theodor. The Outlaw" by his fearless and in ambassador to Germany, died in Berbill for the construction of another his junior, had left him, and it is bedependent course, died at Louisville, lin, at one o'clock on the morning of bridge across the Mississippi river at lieved that her desertion of he caused Ky., on the 22d. aged85.

THE twenty-eighth annual convention of the National Woman Suffrage association met in Washington, on the 23d, with 100 delegates in attendance, in the movement from nearly every

state in the Union. On the 23d the porte gave out the improbable story that two Armenians, believed to be members of the Armenian revolutionary committee, had mur-

dered the Armenian bishop of Boghos. BILLS have been introduced in the supreme council of Bombay abolishing all duties on yarns, and reducing to 31/4 per cent, the duties on woven

In opening the New York state assembly at Albany with prayer, on the 23d, Rev. K. M. Kerwin asked for the success of the Cuban revolution and the maintenance of the Monroe doc-

In the senate, on the 23d, Mr. McMillin made a favorable report on the bill providing for additional revenue cut- made, ters: two for the great lakes, two for the Pacific coast, and one each for the gulf and New York.

THE silver conference held in Washington, on the 23d, issued a call for a national convention of silver men to meet in St. Louis, July 22 next.

WILLIAM W. UPTON, who was appointed justice of the supreme court of Oregon in 1867, and subsequently became chief justice, died at his residence in Washington, D. C., on the 23d, aged 78 years. A widow and five sons sur-

THE republican silver senators, on the 23d, signed a declaration which is ntended to be used in the coming campaign as the demand which the silver men will make for a plank in the national convention. PRESIDENT AND MRS. CLEVELAND gave

their annual reception, on the night of the 23d, to congress and the judiciary. The drenching rain and wind storm that prevailed seriously interferred with the attendance. THE postmaster general has decided

o establish house-to-house collections of mail in cities having the free delivery system. A beginning will be made with 25 of the larger cities. MRS. EMMA WORMAN, the wife of the principal owner of "Outing," commit-

ed suicide, on the evening of the 23d. Worry over the condition of her invalid son is thought to have unsettled her mind and led to the rash act. CONGRESSMAN MONEY, of Mississippi, was nominated, on the 23d, as the suc-

cessor to United States Senator George, of that state. SECRETARY OF WAR HERBERT, on the 24th, accepted the torpedo boat Ericssen. He deducted for delays \$16,000

from the contract price \$120,000. An explosion of chemicals in the laboratory of the Swanson Rheumatic Cure Co., on the second floor of the old stock exchange, Dearborn and Monoe streets, Chicago, on the 24th, wrecked the contents of the offices on that floor, frightened into panic, hysteries or insensibility the occupants of the building, caused injury to three persons and a property loss of \$10,000.

Illinois, brought quo warranto pro-Steel Co. for the purpose of having its | He has been under arrest many times charter revoked for an alleged unlaw- for burglary. ful expansion of its capital stock and for dealing in real estate contrary to

ALLEN DAVIS was instantly killed near Three Oaks, Ind., on the 24th, by the bursting of a huge iron fly-wheel. His body was literally torn to pieces, one fragment of metal completely dis-

emboweling him. THE American line steamer St. Pau! went ashore on the outer bar off Long Branch, N. J., at 1:30 a. m. of the 25th. during a dense fog. At last accounts she was resting easily, and assistance was sent to her. Another steamer, supposed to be the Campania, narrowly missed going ashore too.

DISPATCHES from Paris, on the 25th, stated that a very serious accident had occurred there in the course of the trial of the machinery of the new transatlantic steamship France, just constructed at St. Nazaire. A number of persons were reported killed.

LATE NEWS ITEMS.

THE Baldwin heirs have entered suit for the possession of certain corner lots in the city of Montpelier, Ind. dedicated by the founder of the town for park purposes under conditions which, the heirs claim, have not been complied with. The lots, which are business men, died after a long illness, now valued at \$500,000, have been secured by a real estate agent under quit claim deeds which the heirs alege were obtained by fraud, and which they seek to have set aside.

LEGAL proceedings have been instituted in Cincinnati for the placing on the tax duplicate of all property in Hamilton county owned by the Roman Catholic church and not used for places of worship. The property in question is assessed at \$1,000,000, and an effort will be made to have it charged for the past six years at an increased valuation of \$6,000,000. The move is said to have originated with

A DISPATCH from St. Petersburg, on the 26th, said the czar had given his sanction to the naval estimates covering a period of seven years, beginning in 1896, when 57,500,000 roubles will be appropriated for naval purposes. The figures are fixed in proportion to the amounts expended on their naval forces by other powers.

MRS. BETSY MOODY, mother of Evangelist Moody, died, on the 26th, from an attack of la grippe at her home in Northfield, Mass. All of her family were with her, excepting one daughter who resides in Wisconsin. Mrs. Moody was in her ninety-first year.

A DISPATCH from Colon, United States of Colombia, on the 27th, stated that tranquility had been restored in the province of Barranquilla, and that the state of siege proclaimed there recently had been raised. It was reported from Berlin, on the

26th, that Dr. Behring, of Leipsic, had discovered an anti-cholera serum, and that a public demonstration of its properties would be made at an early

JOHN TYDER, the son of President on the 26th, at a very advanced age,

HON. THEODORE F. RUNYON, American the 27th, of heart failure, aged 73.

MISSOURI STATE NEWS.

This Man Was No Coward.

Bertram Atwater, & Chicago artist. including the most prominent leaders was murdered at Webster Groves, St. Louis county. He had just arrived at Webster Groves, and hired a negro to carry his valise to the residence of a friend. While on the way two men, with drawn revolvers, ordered him to halt and throw up his hands. Mr. Atwater's reply was a shot, the ball striking one of the robbers near the heart, inflicting a fatal wound. The other robber fired, the bullet striking Mr. Atwater in the mouth, causing instant death. The wounded robber was John Schmidt, white, and he said that his companion in the crime was Samuel Foster, colored, and who it is supposed fired the fatal shot. Foster was soon arrested, and also the man who was carrying Mr. Atwater's valise.

Strong threats of lynching have been

Judge W. W. Edwards. Judge W. W. Edwards, of St. Charles county, died at Oakville, Fla., where he had gone for his health. Judge Edwards was 66 years of age, and was one of the best-known jurists of Missouri. He belonged to one of the leading democratic families, but was himself a republican. The first appointment Mr. Lincoln made from Missouri was that of Mr. Edwards, to be United States district attorney for the eastern district. That office Mr. Edwards held until he was elected to the bench. He served as judge 30 years and some months. Twice he was elected without opposition. The only time he ever ran for a political office was when he was nominated for congress by the re-

publicans against Richard H. Norton. Nelson's Death Sentence Affirmed. Division No. 2 of the state supreme has affirmed the death sentence of John Nelson, in an opinion written by Judge T. A. Sherwood. The date of his execution was set for Friday, February 28. Nelson shot and killed John Stull, in Ralls county in August, 1893. Stull was killed because he took care of Nelson's mother-in-law, who had been cruelly treated by Nelson and his

Saved by His Rubbers.

A pair of rubbers saved the life of David Dort, of St. Louis. In crossing a street at night Mr. Dort stepped on a trolley wire that had fallen. He did not know his life had been in danger until he had crossed the street. If he had left his rubber shoes at home he would have been killed.

For the Osage and Gasconade.

Congressman Hubbard has introduced two river improvement bills. One provides for the appropriation of \$50,000 annually for four years for work on the Osage, and the other for the appropriation of \$20,000 for two years for the improvement of the Gasconade.

Shot a Burglar. Frank Green, a negro burglar, was ATTORNEY-GENERAL MALONEY of fatally wounded at St. Joseph, while breaking into the home of John Woodceedings in the circuit court of Cook son. Green received the contents of a county, on the 25th, against the Illinois | double-barreled shotgun in the head,

> A Coal Company Attached. The Barney Helman Grocery Co. ot St. Louis run an attachment on the Caffrey & Baker Coal Co., of Huntsville, Randolph county, for \$5,395. It is alleged that this amount is due for groceries furnished the coal company.

> Horse-Thief Davidson Sentenced. James T. Davidson, a horse-thief captured by Audrain county authorities in St. Louis, recently, pleaded guilty to three charges of theft at Mexico, and was sentenced to six years in the penitentiary.

> > Buckley Livesy.

Buckley Livesy, postmaster at Warrenton, died the other morning, aged 70. Mr. Livesy served several terms as circuit clerk, and held other positions of trust. He leaves a widow and several children.

Drank Carbolic Acid. Minnie Worledge, the 22-year-old daughter of James Worledge, of near

Louisiana, committed suicide by drinking carbolic acid. She had been an invalid for several years. An Old Business Man. J. W. Scott, one of Lebanon's oldest

aged 69. He was the father of Rev.

W. T. Scott, pastor of Tower Grove church, St. Louis. Introduced to Society. Miss Josephine Cobb, daughter of Congressman and Mrs. Cobb, was introduced to Washington society at a re-

ception at the Normandie.

Dedicated to Science. The science building, the new annex to the state normal at Warrensburg, was dedicated recently. Many prominent people were present.

Mayor Walbridge a Candidate. Mayor Cyrus P. Walbridge of St Louis has made the announcement that he is a candidate for the republican nomination for governor.

Well Known in Missouri. D. D. Fuller, one of the first conductors in charge of a Missouri Pacific train, died at Trinidad, Col. He was well known in Missouri.

Prof. Ross Goes to Clarksburg.

Prof. G. A. Ross, of Grand River college, Gallatin, has been elected president of Clarksburg college, and will soon assume control. Given Three Years. In the Hannibal court of common

pleas Arthur Crigamire entered a plea of guilty to grand larceny; three years in the penitentiary. Emma Burnett-Dubach. Emma Burnett, wife of David Du-

67 years of age. A Cooper County Pioneer. Mrs. China Withers, aged 86 years, CASTLE TALNOJE, the residence of died at her home in Bunceton. She Gen. Count von Schouvaloff, governor was one of the pioneer settlers of

bach, a wealthy lumber man of Hanni-

bal, died the other evening. She was

Result of a Love Affair. Elmer L. Jackett, a well-known young man of St. Joseph, committedsuicide by poison. Despondency over a love affair.

Another Bridge for St. Louis. 6t. Louis.

MISSOURI UNIVERSITY.

anguration of the Bible School-Ad

A large audience was present in the uditorium of the Missouri state university, Columbia, the other night, to witness the inaugural ceremonies of the university Bible school, which, after being discussed for many years by the university authorities, has at last been established. In addition to the inaugural address by W. T. Moore, now dean of the school, who recently arrived from England, where he served as editor of the London Commonwealth, there were addresses by Dr. J. H. Garrison, of St. Louis; Dr. T. P. Haey, of Kansas City; Dr. R. H. Jesse, president of the state university; Hon. E. W. Stenhens.

Dr. T. P. Haley, of Kansas City, presided. He introduced Rev. Winders, who delivered a very brief address of welcome in behalf of the Columbia Christian church. Rev. Winders was followed by Mr. Stephens, who extended greetings on behalf of the citizens of Columbia. At the conclusion of Mr. Stephens' address President Jesse delivered an address of welcome in behalf of the university.

Dr. Jesse was followed by Dr. Garrison, editor of the St. Louis Christian Evangelist. He discussed the origin of the idea of establishing Bible schools in connection with colleges, and told of his own prolonged efforts to establish this school in Columbia, giving the credit for the success of his efforts to Dr. Haley.

The programme was concluded by the inaugural address of Dr. Moore. In speaking of his plans for the work of the Bible school he said:

"In my teaching here I shall insist apon an open Bible. I mean by that a Bible open to the freest and fullest possible examination as regards every question discussed within its pages. Let no one mistake me as regards this matter. In all my teaching I mean to contend for a non-sectarian Bible. I do not expect that all men will agree with me as regards every position I hold. But the very firmness with which hold to my convictions teaches me to honor every man who is as firm as I am, even though his views directly antagonize my own.

In conclusion Dr. Moore said: "If these views and aims which I have set forth commend themselves to your judgment, then I feel justified in ask | try hardly supports that view. ing you to assist me by prayers for the success of my labors.'

WIDE AND NARROW TIRES.

An Experiment that Demonstrated the Practicability of the Wide Tire Over the Narrow-Tire Wheel.

Road Improvement association, held in lower than at that point. Woolen the Agricultural building, Columbia, goods also tend lower with small derecently, the college made a comparison | mand, and are practically at the prices of the draft required to haul a given of a year ago, though wool is higher. load over a fairly firm road with 6- Nor is there anything new in the boot inch and 1%-inch wheels.

The result showed a saving of 53 lower. pounds of draft, or 25 per cent. by using the wide tires. A good horse is estimated to be able to exert a constant pull of 150 pounds for ten hours not on the whole increased, partly beper day, walking 21/2 miles per hour. The wide tires in this trial effected a tions have all refused to lower prices. saving of slightly more than one-third

The greatest advantage of the wide tires was shown in the case with which the load was started. It required an average of 500 pounds to start the load when the narrow tires were used, while 230 pounds started the same load when the wide tires were put on the wagon. In many cases it is comparatively easy to hanl the load after it is started, and if by using the wide tires the force

necessary to give motion to the wagon is reduced more than half it is an important matter. The college will repeat tests on soft ground, or meadows, streets and muddy roads, and publish the results in an illustrated bulletin, which will be distributed free of charge to all applicants. Anyone wishing this pamphlet may have it by addressing the dean of the college, H. J. Waters, Columbia.

Plowmon Shot. James Pounds, a farmer living 17 miles northwest of Lamar, met with an accident the other day which will probably prove fatal. Pounds was carrying a 44-caliber revolver to proteet himself from parties who had threatened him. At the time of the accident he was in his field plowing. While stooping over the plow to make some repairs, the weapon slipped from his pocket, striking the hammer with sufficient force on the plow to cause it to discharge. The ball entered his body below the breast-bone.

Flute Found on Field of Shiloh. W. C. Clemison, of Warrenton, has in his possession a flute which his father, Samuel Clemison, of the Twenty-first Missouri regiment, infantry, picked up on the battlefield of Shiloh, the day after the battle, by the side of a dead federal soldier who had evidently died with the instrument to his lips. It is well preserved, and has a sweet, mal-

Dropped Dead While Preparing Dinner. CENTRALIA, Mo. Jan. 22.-Mrs. William Davenport of this city, aged 45 years, while busily engaged in getting dinner for her husband and family, fell to the floor and died instantly. She had enjoyed excellent health prior to her death.

Three Old Citizens Die. Three old citizens of Audrain county have died recently-Hezekiah Shaffer. aged 76: G. D. Ermy, aged 86, and Capt. W. T. Cook, aged 91. Capt. Cook was one of the oldest and most highly-respected men in Audrain county.

She Was Curious. Miss Amanda Pepper, a handsome young resident of St. Joseph, was arrested and furnished bond in the sum of \$500 before United States Commissioner Pollock. She is charged with taking letters from the post office directed to Theodore Miller. The latter

A Seventaen-Ounce Baby. The wife of E. A. Smith, of Sedal!a, recently become the mother of the smallest baby ever born in Sedalia. It weighed on 17 ounces. The chi'd was perfectly formed.

was a former suitor of Miss Pepper.

His Wife Had Deserted Him. John D. Gibson, aged 70 years, a veteran of the Mexican and civil wars, committed suicide by blowing his head off with a shotgun at his hone, near The senate has passed Senator Vest's West Quincy. His wife, coraiderably him to kill himself.

DUN'S COMMERCIAL REVIEW

The Week Marked by an Apparent Improvement Not Justified by Actual Business — Prices of Many Commodities Slightly Advanced with Nothing in the Conditions of Trade to Justify or Sustain Them.

NEW YORK, Jan. 25.-R. G. Dun & Co. report in their weekly review of

trade, issued to-day: Failures for 15 days of January have shown liabilities amounting \$12,539,-617, against \$7,501,209 in 17 days of last year, and \$13,358,990 in 18 days of 1894. The failures for the week have been 373 in the United States, against 363 last year, and 61 in Canada, against 59 last

The week has been marked by improvement apparent rather than real. Prices of some products have risen, but only because supplies are believed to be smaller than was expected. Prices of pig iron and billets have risen, but because coke and ore have been made dearer and not because of any better demand for finished products. Money has been easy, but only because more has been borrowed from Europe at a time when the actual balances of trade take money hence to Europe.

The senate still injures all business by doing nothing, and the treasury can not expect to gain in gold as yet but loses less than was expected. It is generally assumed that the new loan will be placed without difficulty. Business at the mills does not revive. Payments through clearinghouses

for the week are 6.5 per cent. larger than last year, but 29.3 per cent. less than in 1893, being less satisfactory than for a long time.

A deluge of foreign reports favorable to wheat speculation found ready answer in an advance of over five cents here, in spite of western receipts; 50 per cent. larger than last year; but for the crop year to date, all exports have been about 11,600,000 bushels smaller than last year.

Corn advanced because wheat advanced, receipts and exports continuing as before. Cotton rose an eighth, although Mr. Ellison estimated the yield at 7,000,000 bales, and receipts to date support that estimate, but there are many who reason that the surplus will be dangerously small at the end of the crop year, even if the yield is 7,000,000 bales. The actual marketing of goods in Europe and in this coun-

Textile industries do not gain. With materials practically unchanged, they halt because the demand for future delivery is so narrow. Cotton manufacturers have for months been storing up goods, but prices have gradually declined ever since October un-At the annual meeting of the State | til now the average is four per cent. and shoe industry, for though hides The load, including the driver, and are about 31/4 per cent. lower than a exclusive of the weight of the wagon, fortnight ago, leather does not change

While 13 furnaces in the Pittsburgh region have stopped since January 1, the demand for products of iron has cause the bar, nail and rail associa-Minor metals are all week. QUO WARRANTO PROCEEDINGS

Brought to Revoke the Charter of the Il-

linois Steel Co. of Chicago. CHICAGO, Jan. 25.—Attorney-General Mahoney will bring quo warranto proceedings in the circuit court to-day against the Illinois Steel Co. for the purpose of having its charter revoked. The company was incorporated in 1889, and includes the North Chicago Rolling Mill Co., the Union Steel Co. and the Joliet Steel Co. The original organization was the North Chicago Rolling Co., founded by H. H. Porter, and incorporated by special act of the legislature in 1869. The capital stock was \$3,000,000, of which only one-third was

The attorney general's document states that the original corporation purchased the Chicago Rolling Mill Co., paying for that in stock, and in 1889 incorporated the Union company. The consolidated concern was named the Illinois Steel Co., the capital stock being fixed at \$25,000,000. It is alleged the combine increased its capital stock to \$50,000,000, and in representing that this was the authorized capital stock the attorney general declares the company has exceeded its legal powers, because the increased amount is in excess of the combined capital stock of the two companies authorized to be is-

sued by their charters. It is also set forth that the company has purchased all the stock of the Joliet Co., and that it is dealing in real estate contrary to the charter; also that it has issued consolidated stock to retire bonds of the Union Steel Co. held by the Metropolitan Trust Co. of New York, contrary to the law of Illi

A STRANDED STEAMER Floated and Libeled by a Wrecking Com-

JACKSONVILLE, Fla., Jan. 25 .- The Mallory line steamer Alamo which went ashore on Pelican shoals, near Key West, Wednesday, was gotten off by the Key West wrecking fleet. The wreckers libeled the vessel for \$65,000 salvage. Bond for the full amount of the claim has been fixed by the United States court, and the vessel will be re-

COAST DEFENSES.

Information Called for Sent to the Senate. WASHINGTON, Jan. 25 .- The secretary of the treasury yesterday sent to the senate information called for under a resolution relative to the cost of sites, for the purpose of erecting fortifications and coast defenses. He reports the amount necessary to be appropriated for this purpose to be \$1,500,000, but adds that, for obvious reasons, it is deemed to be inadvisable to state the details of the proposed application

of this amount. Lynchers Must Answer the Charge of De-laying the Mails.

FAYETTEVILLE, Tenn., Jan. 24. - Warrants have been served on R. M. Wal- Philadelphia Record. lace, Ike Heyman, W. B. Derrick, Thomas McElroy, and Pleasant Neville, charging them with delaying the fore an audience." Manager-"How?" United States mails. The arrests are | Comedian-"It is received with such a sequal of the lynching of Joseph Robinson and Elias McGaba, by a Lewisburg, mob recently. The negroes were being taken to the penitentiary and the train they were on was delayed until the mob could reach the scene. The post office department investigated the affair.

THEODORE F. RUNYON,

United States Ambassador to Germany, Dies Suddenly of Heart Failure—The President Apprised of the Death of Mr. Runyon-Brief Sketch of the Life and

Labors of the Distinguished Statesman Berlin, Jan. 27.-Hon. Theodore Runyon, the American ambassador here, died of heart failure at one o'clock this morning.

The President Applsed. WASHINGTON, Jan. 27.-The sudden death in Berlin of the American ambassador, Theodore F. Runyon thismorning, was communicated to the president by the United Press. Beyoud that information the government. had not been advised of the startling news. Its occurrence at so early an hour in the morning, of course, prevented the possibility of anything like general circulation. It is certain that the president and state department will have official notice before the hour for beginning of business to-day, when whatever action is necessary to-

Theodore F. Runyon was born at-Somerville, N. J., October 26, 1822. Hegraduated from Yale college in 1842, and in 1844 was admitted to the bar. In 1863 he was made city attorney and in 1856 city counsellor of Newark, N. J., a position retained until 1864, when he became mayor of the city. He was appointed, in 1856, a commissioner torevise and codify the militia laws of New Jersey, and in 1857 was made brigadier general and subsequently major general of the New Jersey national guard.

be taken, will be promptly attended

At the outbreak of the civil war he was placed in command of the New Jersey brigade of volunteers.

In 1865 he was democratic candidate for governor of his state, but was not elected. From 1873 to 1887 he was chancellor of New Jersey. In March, 1893, he was appointed by President Cleveland American minister to Germany and shortly afterwards was made ambassador. The degree of LL, D, was conferred upon him by Yale, Rutgers and Wesleyan colleges.

AN IMPORTANT MOVEMENT. Gen. Garcia, at the Head of a Potent Ex-

pedition, Salls for Cuba. PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 27.-A morning

Gen. Calixto Garcia, the most distinruished Cuban general now outside of Cuba, has escaped the watchful eyes of Spanish agents and sailed from this port last Thursday, it is said, on the fruit steamer Bernard, bound for Cuba. Gen. Garcia goes to Cuba at the head

of the most formidable expedition that

has ever left this country, of which he will take command on the high seas, where he will meet another fruit steamer, the Jasof, with over three hundred men on board and a large quantity of arms and ammunition. From those familiar with Gen. Garcia's plans it was learned that the expedition will make for some port near the boundary line of the province of

Pinar del Rio and the province of Havana. Gen. Gomez is thoroughly informed of all the plans of the expedition, and at the point agreed upon for the landing of the exedition he will have a strong body of troops. Owing to his great popularity in that district, it it is expected that Gen. Garcia ill at once place himself at the head

of a strong body of men in the province of Pinar del Rio. Among Cubans in this country great hope is placed in this expedition. One of the drawbacks of the Cuban cause has been the lack of commanders, who combine both bravery and military sagacity. Should any misfortune befall either Gen. Maximo Gomez or Generals Jose or Antonio Maceo, the Cubans' cause would be in a rather embarrassed position. Gen. Garcia, however, is fully competent to take either general's place at a moment's notice and when news of the successful landing: of his expedition reaches this country, there will be rejoicing among the

DEATH OF PHILIP RIPLEY,

Once One of the Most Widely-Known

Newspaper Men in the Country. New York, Jan. 27.—Philip Ripley, at one time one of the most widelyknown newspaper men in the country, died shortly before Saturday midnight at Bellevue hospital. The deceased was in his sixty-ninth year. He was born in Hartford, Conn., and was educated at Trinity school in that place. Shortly after his graduation he started in the newspaper business and was first employed by Washington journals. When the war broke out he was detailed to New Orleans as war correspondent for a half dozen prominent newspapers in the country. He is said to have furnished the most authentic accounts of the battles of

the rebellion. Several years after the war he came to New York and since then had been employed on many newspapers in this city. He was closely affiliated with all the old-time newspaper men, notably Horace Greely, and for a period of years wrote the famous editorials which were printed over the name of "Hurlbut." There is no one now to claim his remains as far as known, but a minister of Connecticut. Before Ripley died he told his physician to send word to Rev. Starr, Newington Junction, Hartford county. Conn., which was done. The cause of his death was Bright's disease.

SUPPOSED TO BE FUNNY.

Papa (on top of the stairs)-"Is that young man gone, Mamie?" Mamie--Yes, papa; awfully."-Judge. "Queen Victoria and Emperor Wil-

liam are relations, are they not?" asked Bloomfield. "Yes; strained relations," replied Belleville.-Pittsburgh Chronicle-Telegraph. In the liestaurant.-Waiter-"What shall I get for you?" Professor (ab-

sent-minded, reading the bill of fare) -"I am busy now; ask me after dinner."-Fliegende Blatter. Mamma-"Gracious! how dirty your hands are. You never saw my hands that dirty." Ethel (aged five)-"No.

manma, but I 'spect gran'ma did."-Comedian-"I can always tell when I've gotten off a really good joke be-

deathly silence."-Roxbury Gazette. She-"Ethel Passee had such a queer experience yesterday afternoon, about dark, going home from the Browning class. A man rushed out of an alley behind her, kissed her-just once-and fied!" He-"I should think he would."

-N. Y. Tribune.